

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL**  
**TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 2005**  
**6:00 P.M.**

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m., with Chris Fields, Darrin McGowan, John Byrne, and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Councilman Sheehan arrived after the roll was called. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, Scott Murray, WKWH, and Starr Shuppert, *Rushville Republican*.

**MINUTES \* \* \***

Minutes of the May 25, 2005 meeting were presented for approval. Byrne made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT \* \* \***

Mayor Bridges reported the following to Council:

- I have received another request for the purchase of a lot in Wilson Estates. According to the State Statue it is required to hold another public hearing to have the ability to liquidate the remaining properties, should the City Council choose to sell the remaining properties. Byrne made a motion to proceed with the sale of the remaining lots at Wilson Estates. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- On May 31<sup>st</sup> the Rush County Council rescinded the inventory tax, effective 1/1/06. In doing so they also increased the EDIT tax by.25%, now making the Rush County EDIT tax .50%. According to legal council for the Rush County Council if this action had not been taken by June 1 of this year the inventory tax would be eliminated next year and the tax shortfall would automatically be added onto the property taxes. This allowed the County to increase the EDIT tax, lessening the burden on property owners.
- Saturday, June 11 at 5:00 p.m. we will be hosting the inaugural concert at the Riverside Park Amphitheater. Opening acts will be the Dave Barnes Band and Bill Ratekin. The featured act will be the Wright Brothers.
- The annual Relay for Life walk in the park will be the weekend of June 18 and 19 in Veteran's Memorial Park. Opening ceremonies will begin on the 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.
- Jack Harmon's e-mail address is [codemanager@lightbound.com](mailto:codemanager@lightbound.com).
- The following Police Reserve Officers were given recognition awards for their years of service: Don McElfresh 5 years of service, Darrin McGowan 5 years of service, Mark Love 12 years of service, and Jim Walker 12 years of service.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT \* \* \***

None.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT \* \* \***

Pavey reported that work is still being completed on the amphitheater.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS \* \* \***

Councilman Fields stated that the Redevelopment Commission will be meeting this Thursday.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS \* \* \***

**Police** – Fudge reported that the Board of Works hired Penny Sons as a fulltime dispatcher. He also passed out a month end report.

**Code Compliance** – Harmon passed out a weekly report.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS \* \* \***

Councilman Byrne said he had a concern from Steve Hunter regarding the new parking ordinance in regard to trucks. Hunter said he works for the County Highway and drives his vehicle home in case of an emergency and is called out after working hours. The street he is parking on is a one-way street and he parks with the flow of traffic. Hunter said with the truck parked on the street it still measures 26 feet from the truck. In the winter he also has a snow plow attached and is unable to get the truck down the alley with the plow attached. (Councilman Sheehan entered the meeting) Hunter said he is very willing to work with the City in this situation. Fudge said he didn't see a problem with it because of the type of vehicle it is. Hunter also said he had spoken with the neighbors and they did not have a problem with it either.

Newly annexed citizen, Ed Pribble, asked the Mayor how the annexation project is going. Bridges said it is going as scheduled and the final easement is to be signed tomorrow. The project will then go to bid.

Pribble asked, "Are you putting in a new driveway?"

Bridges said, "No."

Pribble asked what the City would do with the access road now.

Bridges said it was a public alley.

Pribble asked if the City maintains it.

Bridges said, yes, if it is a public alley it would be maintained by the City to the county line.

Pribble then asked why then has it been 3 weeks since he asked for stone in the alley and has not received it.

Bennett said he would get more stone out there when he has the manpower.

Pribble said he was told they did not have manpower because they were working on the amphitheater.

Bennett said they have been out there once and placed some stone in the holes.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Annexation Claims** – Pavey made a motion to approve the annexation claims. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Bane Annexation/Resolution 2005-10** – Byrne made a motion to approve Resolution 2005-10. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Fujitsu Ten CF1** – Barry Maier gave a presentation on what is going on at Fujitsu Ten Corporation. Sheehan made a motion to approve the Compliance with the Statement of Benefits. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Ordinance 2005-8 Additional Appropriation** – Pavey made a motion to approve the Additional Appropriation for Booker T. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Transfer Resolution 2005-13** – McGowan made a motion to approve the resolution. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**GIS Agreement** – Sheehan made a motion to approve the changes to the GIS Agreement. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Claims** – Pavey made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no further business to come before Council, Byrne made a motion to adjourn. Pavey seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

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JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER

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BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER